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Responsive to the Office Action of November 80 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

We are providing the Office with marked-up copies of the first paragraph on page 1 and ask that this paragraph be substituted for the first paragraph already in the application. We are also submitting the first paragraph on page 3 and ask that this paragraph be substituted for the first paragraph on page 3 of the original specification. Additionally, we are providing the Office with a copy of the second full paragraph on page 11 and ask that this paragraph be substituted for the paragraph on page 11 now included in the specification. Finally, we are providing the Office with a copy of the second full paragrph on page 12 and ask that the paragraph be substituted for the paragraph on page 12 of the specification.

In the Claims:

The undersigned is submitted a marked-up copy of a full set of claims now in this application, as well as additional claims 42-54 to be added to the application.

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